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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Fourth Judicial District Magistrate Judge Appointed**

**The Magistrate Commission for the Fourth Judicial District has appointed a new magistrate judge in Valley County.**

#### **Valley County – Lamont Berez**

Lamont (Monty) Berez, 37, of Boise, has been appointed magistrate judge in Valley County. Mr. Berez has been employed as a magistrate judge assigned to the juvenile court in Ada County, since 2008. From 2001-2008, Mr. Berez was employed with the Ada County Prosecutor's office, where he was a felony trial attorney focusing on domestic violence cases and serves as an on-call drug prosecutor. From 2000-2001, Mr. Berez worked as an associate attorney for the Stoel Rives law firm in Boise, where he specialized in products liability defense. Outside the legal profession, Mr. Berez has over ten years experience in working with youth as an assistant summer camp director, counselor and instructor in Wisconsin, Colorado and Michigan.

Mr. Berez is admitted to practice with the Bar of the State of Idaho and the United States Courts. He holds a Bachelor's of Art degree in Biology from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law.

Mr. Berez will begin his Valley County assignment on April 2, 2012.

He and his wife, Sophie, and their four daughters currently live in Boise and will relocate to Valley County in the near future.